BYRNE/JAG FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

16.738 Byrne/JAG Formula Grant Program

<u>AUTORIZATION</u>: Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005, Public Law 108-447. <u>OBJECTIVES</u>: To provide States and units of local government with funds to provide additional personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance, and information systems for criminal justice.

<u>USES AND USE RESTRICTIONS</u>: Funds may be used to support law enforcement programs; prosecution and court programs; prevention and education programs; corrections and community corrections programs; drug treatment programs; and planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs. Funds may not be used to supplant State and local funds.

<u>FORMULA REQUIREMENTS:</u> The JAG formula includes a State allocation consisting of a minimum base allocation with the remaining amount determined on a population and Part 1 violent crime statistics, and a direct allocation to units of local government. Once the State allocation is calculated, 60 percent of the funding is awarded to the State and 40 percent to the eligible units of local government. State allocations also have a mandatory "pass through" requirement to locals, calculated by the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) from each State's crime expenditures. <u>ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS</u>:

<u>Applicant Eligibility:</u> All States, the District of Columbia, Guam, America Samoa, the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the Northern Mariana Islands. Units of local government are eligible consistent with established guidelines. <u>Beneficiary Eligibility:</u> States, Territories, and units of local government <u>Credentials/Documentation:</u> Each applicant must submit a completed application that meets the requirements specified in the program guidance. Costs will be determined in accordance with OMB Circular No. A-87 for State and local governments.